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MESSAGE:

Examiner White:

The following is an amendment for discussion at our interview scheduled for 11:00 a.m., on July 6. Also included is a copy of a patent (U.S. Patent No. 6,406,096 to Barile, Sr.) which we will be submitting as part of a supplemental IDS. It appears relevant to the pending claims and I would like to discuss it at our interview. I look forward to meeting with you. Thanks,

Doug

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In response to the Office Action mailed May 21, 2004, please amend the above-referenced application as follows:

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